## WILSON ASKS LAW TO HALT STRIKES AND LOCKOUTS

Opposes Organized Labor in That Contention and Declares That Such Legislation Is "Justifiable Safe- By Democrats and Some Republicans on guarding by Society of the Necessary Processes of Its Very Life"

ADDRESSES CONGRESS IN JOINT SESSION

Says That Explicit Direction terstate Commerce Commission to Grant Increase Labor

Washington, D. C., Dec. 5 .- President Wilson's address at the opening of the ucts of the soil to the community. session of Congress to-day was wholly devoted to domestic subjects, principally bear the brunt of the burden. If he is in view of the securities they possess." sion, President Wilson in accordance with however, should make it as easy as posthe custom he began at the opening of sible for the borrower, by arranging syshis term, read his address from the tems of co-operation among the borrow-

recommendation for legislation to prevent a nation-wide railway strike or lock- fore the government is justified in furout before there has been opportunity the attack of organized labor as nothing occur and that underwritings should not arbitrary or unjust and the "justifiable entail any long or severe charge on so- dent Wilson only as a messenger not safeguarding by society of the necessary ciety. processes of its very life."

expenditures by the railroads caused by the operation of the Adamson law.

or its inclination to do justice when there mittee, properly constituted." is no reason to doubt either."

The other recommendations on the railroad situation made in a special message during the last session, which were not pin into law, were renewed to-day. They

"Immediate provision for the enlarge ment and administrative reorganization of the interstate commerce commission along the lines embodied in the bill recently passed by the House of Representatives and now awaiting action by the Senate: in order that the commission may be enabled to deal with the many great and various duties now devolving upon it with a promptness and thoroughness which are, with its present constitution and means of action, practically im-

"An amendment of the existing federal statute which provides for the mediation, conciliation and arbitration of such con troversies as the present by adding to it a provision that, in case the methods of accommodation now provided for should fail, a full public investigation of the merits of every such dispute shall be instituted and completed before a strike or lockout may lawfully be attempted.

The lodgment in the hands of the executive of the power, in case of military necessity, to take control of such por tions of such rolling stock of the rail ways of the country as may be required for military use and to operate them for military purposes, with authority to draft into the military service of the United States such train crews and administrative officials as the circumstances may require for their safe and efficient

The renewed recommendation for comallowed, which has aroused the opposidesired to leave, but that no such the order. principle was involved in the suggestion concentrated action of bodies of men un- time he had been employed as a machinpublic has been instituted.

principle," he continued, "that the con- a mother, Mrs. Lauretta Drummer of this centrated action of powerful bodies of city, also a widow, who was Mary Gormen shall not be permitted to stop the man; and a half brother, Thomas Reed industrial processes of the nation, at any of Hartford, Conn. rate before the nation shall have had an opportunity to acquaint itself with th merits of the case between employe and employer, time to form its opinion upon an impartial statement of the merits. and opportunity to consider all practicable means of conciliation or arbitration, I can see nothing in that proposition but the necessary processes of its very life, nance departments of American railroads There is nothing arbitrary or unjust in it vesterday filed a petition with Congress Argesu and Bucharest—the river Saharu, nehaba encampment, No. 2, to-night at Borah, "to find out if we are satisfied ington, D. C., to attend the conference unless it be arbitrarily and unjustly asking to be included in "any eight-hour which parallels the Argesu about two 7 o'clock. All patriarchs are invited to with the National Guard after the ex- of the International Association of Indone. It can and should be done with a railroad legislation."

full and scrapulous regard for the interests and liberties of all concerned as well is for the permanent interests of society

WILSON CONGRATULATED.

His Re-election.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 5-When President Wilson appeared before Congress at o'clock this afternoon to deliver his annual address, the Democrats and man; Republicans united in a great demonstration to felicitate the president upon his re-election.

FARM CREDIT SCHEME.

Is Proposed Before National Conference

Chicago, Dec. 5 .- "Fundamental Priniples that Should Apply in Farm Credits" were discussed here to-day by Robert D. Kent, a banker of Passaic, N. J. Is Not Necessary for In- before the National Conference on Marketing and Farm Credits.

Mr. Kent basing his remarks on the principle that "prosperity, safety and happiness of men result from that of of Rates to Railroads to society in general and that society's strength and safety come from the fidel-Meet the Greater Cost of ity and labor of individuals," spoke in part as follows:

"In addition to raising crops for food, workers, who, in turn, will furnish prod-

the problem of railway legislation. In relieved of his obligation to be thought the hall of the House with senators and ful, industrious and thrifty his manlirepresentatives assembled in joint sest ness will be undermined. The state, lerk's desk.

The president not only renewed his that the 'landless man' should be connected with the 'manless land' and therenishing assistance, but it should be done for investigation, but defended it against in such a way that 'misfits' should not

"I would suggest the following plan: Aside from recommendations for the Let the township, county, or state, own passage of the Porto Rico government the land and the stock on the farm and bill, the corrupt practices bill and the let them enter into a contract with those Webb bill to legalize American collective that desire to go on the farms. Earnselling agencies abroad, the president's ings of the farms should to a large ex address was devoted wholly to the rail- tent be applied to reducing the debts road situation. The only feature which incurred, and the government, in such Berlin Statement Credits Russia with had not been forecast was the elimina- cases, should appoint supervisors over tion of the proposal that Congress give say, ten or fifteen farms for the first explicit approval to consideration by the year's occupancy, but put no more exinterstate commerce commission of an in-crease in freight rates to meet additional der that the taxpayers' money may not the scope of the commission's authority should be terminated by a board of com- France 3,700,000; Italy, 800,000; Serbia, these escaped."

HEAVYWEIGHTS TO FIGHT.

George Carpentier, France Pugilist, to Meet Jess Willard.

New York, Dec. 5 .- George Carpentier heavyweight champion of France, and Jess Willard, world's champion, are virtually matched for a 10-round, no-debout, to be fought in this city within the next two months. While the final signatures of the pugilists have not been secured, their verbal consent has for articles of agreement to be forwarded

relief fund and it was on account of this recaptured their lost positions. arrangement that permission was obtained for the release of Carpentier from are pursuing the defeated Rumanians on the French army. The only possibility the front before Bucharest. of a hitch is a demand on the part of Willard for a share of the purse out of oportion to the estimated gate receipts. this develops, Tex Rickard, who is ar- statement says. ranging the match, plans to match Carpentier with Les Dacry, the Australian middleweight champion.

FOUND DEAD IN BED.

Linn E. Drummer, Prominent Keene Man,

Died in Springfield,

Keene, N. H., Dec. 5 .- Linn E. Drummer, a well known and prominent resident of this city, was found dead in bed at Springfield, Vt., yesterday morning. His age was 45 years. Mr. Drummer was pulsory investigation of labor disputes working in Springfield for the J. C. Black on railways before strikes or lockouts are | Machine Co. of this city. Mr. Drummer was prominent in the Sons of Veterans tion of the railroad brotherhoods, and of and the auxiliary, having served as com-American Federation of Labor, was mander in the Sons of Veterans, and was defended in the president's message. He their present secretary. He was past dideclared he would besitate to recommend vision commander of the New Hampshire ing the rear of this force, were thema law which would force individual work- Sons of Veterans, and went about the men to continue in an employment which state considerably as installing officer for

He was employed by the Boston & a public investigation for the benefit ist by the J. C. Black company. The ly resisting advances. body was brought to Keene on the after-"It is based upon the very different noon train yesterday. He is survived by

WANT 8-HOUR DAY, TOO.

Maintenance Departments Heard from Now.

justifiable safeguarding by society of paid," 400,000 members of the mainte-

## PEACE RUMOR AGAIN HEARD IN GERMANY

It Takes the Form of a Business Peace, Which the Belligerents Can Discuss "In View of the Securities They Possess," Says Berlin Paper

WILSON NOT WANTED AS AN ARBITRATOR

One Newspaper in Berlin new line along the river Sabaru. Thinks Ambassador Gerard Is to Return to Germany with Some Peace Proposal—Business Peace Would Be Common Sense

the approach of peace negotiations has prisoners, guns, machine guns and am clothing and shelter, it is important that the approach of peace negotiations has prisoners, guns, machine guns a munition. The statement says:

"After sanguinary fighting, last livelihood. The problem is for society quoted in an Amsterdam dispatch to the eral days without interruption, despite to furnish farms to capable and willing Exchange Telegraph company as fol-bad weather, the difficulties of terrain lows: "The moment is near when busi- and the desperate resistance of the ene-"It is of prime importance that the ness peace will be possible, a peace which my, our troops by a brilliant attack in view of the securities they possess."

> Germany wants business peace is a sign not of weakness but of common sense. Vossiche Zeitung also prints an arti-Gerard is returning to Germany with case," the paper goes on, "America is an guns captured up to now number 79." unsuitable mediator" and it warns Germany to accept the services of Presi-

ENTENTE HAS LOST 15,000,000 MEN

as an arbitrator.

Loss of Slightly More Than Onehalf that Number, with

480,000; and Belgium, 220,000 and Rumania, 200,000.

TEUTONS RETAKE SOME POSITIONS IN TRANSYLVANIA

Repulsed Russian Attacks There and in Western Rumania are Pursuing the Fleeing Enemy.

Berlin, via wireless, Dec. 5.-Renewed seen obtained and they are now waiting Russian attacks in the Carpathians and along the line of the Transylvanian fron- the war office last night reads: tier were made yesterday, but they did

> advance east of the Albert-Wariencourt tion of Hetsas. Calm prevails on the road yesterday, but were repulsed, the rest of the front."

GRADICHTEA HAS FALLEN.

Russian Official Statement Admits Loss of the Place.

Petrograd, Dec. 5 .- Retirement of Runanian forces south of Bucharest, in the face of re-enforced attacks by the Tentonic forces, was announced in yestertroops took Gradichtea, 12 miles south of

Between Alexandria and Bucharest, and also to the south, the statement said, the enemy, who had been put on the defensive by attacks from the allied forces, was re-enforced and attacked Gradichtea, later occupying that city.

The Rumanians, who had been attack-In the wooded Carpathians, the state-

ment said, there were a number of bat- this aviator. tles for individual heights. Russian that the operation of the railways of the Maine railroad until the shops removed forces captured a height southwest of country should not be stopped by the to Billerica a few years ago. Since that Jabionitza. North of Trotush there was obstinate fighting, the enemy stubborn-

The statement also detailed rifle firing along the Danube and declared in Dobrudja enemy attempts to attack had been arrested by artillery and rifle fire.

Gradichtea, or Gradistea, lies due south of Bucharest and only 12 miles south of the Rumanian capital. It is on the main railroad from Bucharest to Giurgiu and Lloyd George has decided to resign. His situated on the southern bank of the resignation was drafted after he re-Argesu river, where official statements ceived an intimation that Premier Asfrom both sides have indicated the Ru- quith would not agree to the suggestion Washington, Dec. 5.—Declaring their manian and Russian forces were making that a war council should be formed work is "dirty, laborious and under- the last stand against capture of Bu- without the premier at its head.

One more river intervenes between the miles to the north. If the retreat men- attend.

FATE OF BUCHAREST APPARENTLY SEALED

The fate of Bucharest apparently is sealed. The Teutonic advance on the city is going on unchecked. This announcement was made by the Russian war office to-Petrograd also mentions Ploesci, 35 miles north of Bucharest, as another point in the di-rection of which the invading armies are moving without effec-tive opposition. Plaesci is on the line of the only railway route of retreat for the Rumanians operating in the vicinity of Bucharest.

This threat seemingly means the speedy abandonment of Bucharest if the Rumanians expect to make an effective retreat over the railroad line toward Moldavia.

On the Macedonian front the Serbians have captured the village of Stravins, according to Serbian report, and Paris announces proggress for the French and Serbians within the bend of the Cerna.

tioned in the Petrograd statement is general one, probably the defenders of the Rumanian capital have retired to a

BRILLIANT SERBIAN VICTORY.

Bulgarians Are Said to Have Lost Heav ily East of Cerna River.

Saloniki, via London, Dec. 5,-The Serbian official communication issued yesterday tells of the capture of heavily fortified Bulgarian positions north of Grunishte and Budingertsa, east of the Cerna river in Serbia, in fighting lasting over several days in which the Bulga-London, Dec. 5 .- An article predicting rians suffered heavy casualties and lost

"After sanguinary fighting, lasting sevpowerful fortified Bulgarian positions in the region of Grunishte and Budimirtsa. Tageblatt further says that the fact The ruins of the ancient fortress above garians are fleeing northward, leaving a large number of dead on the battlefield. "By this brilliant victory we captured

cle, discussing the possibility of peace, numerous guns, including five field guns It says that it is probable Ambassador and five caissons, many machine guns, including a quantity of ammunition and other materials and a number of prisonsome peace proposal, "If such is the ers which have not yet been counted. The

BLAME THE KING

For Riotous Outbreak in Athens, Say Greek Dispatches.

London, Dec. 5.—According to some dispatches of the Athens correspondents filed on Sunday at Piraeus, where the tack from every quarter. allies control the telegraph lines, the sitextreme gravity for the allies.

pense on the farm than necessary in order that the taxpayers' money may not be jeopardized. Until the working of the farms returns enough money to make losses of the entente in the present war. the farms returns enough money to make losses of the entente in the present war positions which Vice Admiral Du Fournet Acme company, which proved to be an To-day the president took the position a substantial reduction of the indebted have been 15,100,000 men, according to had previously notified the Greek govern offshot of the Rockefeller interests, and that "the power of the interstate comness, the supervisors should have full the figures given out by the Association ment he would occupy. These troops from that time, in 1875, until his death merce commission to grant an increase power of direction. Then the title to for Research into Social Consequences of then attacked the allies, who numbered be was an associate of the Rockefellers. of rates on the ground referred to is in- the farm could be vested in the occu- the War, as quoted by the Overseas 3,000. The latter fought until their amdisputably clear and a recommendation pant, and a mortgage would secure the News agency to day. Of this number, munition was exhausted and then yield-

which is expected at Monastir front, by work. attacking General Sarrail's flank. advancing on Piracus.

ARTILLERY USED.

ty on West Front. Paris, Dec. 5 .- The bulletin issued by

Forty thousand dollars from the profits not gain the slightest success, it is an- part of both artilleries on the front of the match are to go to the French war nounced officially. The Teutonic troops north of the Somme and in the region of Vaux and Douaumont. Everywhere In western Rumania, Teutonic troops else the day was calm."

Relgian communication; British troops attempted to make an the region of Dixmude and in the direc-

POPE IN CONDEMNATION.

He Denounced Aerial Bombardment of Open Cities. Rome, Dec. 4, via Paris, Dec. 5.- In an

elocution delivered before the secret consistory to-day, Pope Benedict denounced the aerial bombardment of open cities and condemned all those who, he said, day's war office statement. The German had defied the laws of God and man in the present war.

HIS 20TH AIRPLANE.

Nungesser of French Service Brought Down Two on Monday,

Paris, Dec. 5.—Sub-Lieutenant Nun gesser shot down two airplanes within three hours yesterday, the war office announces. This brings up to twenty the number of airplanes brought to death by

LEAVE CABINET

Decides On That Action When Asquith Would Not Agree to War Council Without Himself as the Head.

London, Dec. 5.-The Exchange Tele graph company says that War Secretary

There will be a special meeting of Min-

FROM CLERK TO OIL KING

John D. Archbold, a Noted Figure in Finance, Died at Tarrytown To-day

AFTER OPERATION FOR APPENDICITIS

His Wealth Is Estimated to Be Close to \$100,-000,000

was removed to-day when John D. Arch- ice. Five years of the pastoral relation bold, capitalist, president of the Stand- were feelingly touched upon by Rev. Mr. ard Oil company of New Jersey and an Reardon in acknowledging the gifts. two weeks' illness, subsequent to an op-eration for appendicitis. Death came at

4 o'clock this morning. Funeral services will be held here Thursday forenoon and will be attended by relatives and personal and business As Result of Eating Meat of Bear Meat were ready to go before the people with friends, including John D. and William Rockefeller. During the services the industries of the town will suspend.

John D. Archbold was almost as closely identified with the history of the Standard Oil as John D. Rockefeller him weeks ago, is still serious. L. K. Heath self. Of the first nine trustees of the is very low and there is doubt of his rein this country until its dissolution in little worse, although her condition for a 1911 at the order of the United States day or two has remained about the same. supreme court, and it was he who was named to engineer the dissolution, after of Mary Scalburg, the young schoolgiri which he became president and director who was working at the house at the of the Standard Oil company of New Jer- time the meat arrived, is reported as not Grunishte are in our hands, and the Bul- sey. He was the most active and agres- as well and evidences of the disease have sive fighter in the oil combine, and invariably represented the Standard Oil Mrs. Baldwin of Baldwin's Mills, P. Q., on the witness stand in the numerous wife of the man who died from the dishearings in connection with the govern- ease a few days ago, is in about the same ment's suit to dissolve it.

ened by the publication of a score or no progress. She is still in bed.
more of letters from Mr. Archbold to Rev. W. S. Smithers, pastor of the Joseph B. Foraker, then senator from Methodist Episcopal church, and E. A. Ohio, Representative Joseph C. Sibley of Dimick were among those who ate of the distributed for the alleged purpose of nervously.
influencing favorable legislation at Washington. Mr. Archbold considered them en also to Barnston, P. Q., but to date as attorney fees. The publication of no one in that locality has had any bad

John Dustin Archbold was born M nation in Greece is one justifying Lord Leesburg, O., July 26, 1846, and was Robert Cecil's statement that it was of working in a country store at Salem, O., when he heard of the wonderful oil re- \$7,000 Loss Near St. Johnsbury Included These dispatches represent that last gions in western Pennsylvania, where week's fighting in Athens was the result men were becoming rich over night. In

It has been estimated that his fortune, made almost entirely in oil and the Congress with regard to such a balance due. If it be found that the says the agency summary, Great Britain ed, except a detachment of 100, who tried its by products, was nearly \$100,000,000. matter might seem to draw in question farmer can not 'make good' the contract has lost 1,100,000; Russia, 8,500,000; to cut their way through. Only 30 of Although Mr. Archbold was not particularly conspicuous as a benefactor, he According to the same accounts, King made many large gifts, including a sum Constantine is quietly mobilizing and of \$400,000 to Syracuse university in one preparing for war against the allies, in- lump, besides annual donations of smalltending to co-operate with a section of er amounts. He was also a church mem-Field Marshal Von Mackensen's forces, ber and a liberal contributor to religious

> He was married in 1870 to Miss Annie It is also stated that the Greeks are Mills of Titusville, Pa., and maintained a beautiful estate at Cedar Cliff, Tarrytown, and a home at Southampton, Long Clerk F. S. Platt of the United States street,

But Otherwise There Was Little Activi- PROMINENT HOTEL MAN DIED TO-DAY

"There was marked activity on the George C. Boldt, Proprietor of Waldorf Astoria, Passed Away from Heart Trouble.

New York, Dec. 5 .- George C, Boldt, one of the country's foremost hotel men, There was some artillery activity in died of heart trouble to-day in a suite of the Waldorf Astoria hotel, of which he was proprietor. He was also the proprietor of the Bellevue-Stratford hotel in Philadelphia, trustee of Cornell uni-

versity and president of the Holland li-

HUNTER WAS FINED For Shooting on Sunday and Shooting

After Sundown.

brary at Alexandria Bays, N. Y.

Waterbury, Dec. 5 .- The illegal shooting of a fawn on Crossett hill Sunday night was brought before Judge Harvey of the Montpelier municipal court, and John Tomasi of Barre was fined \$100 and costs, making \$108, and he was left in and shooting after sundown.

LIMITS POWER OF JUDGES.

Supreme Court Denies Their Right to is at Brightlook hospital. Suspend Sentences. Washington, Dec. 5 .- Sustaining in ef-

fect Attorney General Gregory's conten tion that popular demands for recall of Form Orleans County Corporation judges is due to their usurpation of ex ecutive authority, in a case against Fed eral Judge John M. Killits of Toledo, the supreme court yesterday denied that federal judges have inherent power indefinitely to suspend criminal sentence. Chief Justice White read the decision

BILL DOOMS NATIONAL GUARD. Senator Borah Seeks Repeal of Provisions for Reorganization.

Washington, Dec. 5-Repeal of the sections of the army reorganization bill dealing with the National Guard will be asked in a bill Senator Borah, Idaho, will introduce to-day. "The time has come," said Senator

periment on the border."

PASTOR AND WIFE

Rev. and Mrs. J. B. Reardon Reminded of Their Silver Wedding Anniversary When Many People Gathered.

Rev. and Mrs. John B. Reardon were advised of their 25th wedding anniversary in a very happy fashion last evening when more than 150 people came to gether in the parlors of the Universalist church for an informal reception under the auspices of the parish people and the Odd Fellows. The silver anniversary had brought together many of the townspeo ple outside the parish and the lodge, as well as a number of the clergymen in the city. Ferns and cut flowers, with a wealth of chrysanthemums, were used with charming results in arranging the vestry for the affair.

An impromptu program included enjoyable dialect readings by Dr. F. M. Lynde, a reading by Miss Blanche J. Tilden and vocal solos by Miss Henrietta Inglis. Upon Mrs. Stella Averill devolved the pleasant duty of making a felicitious speech for the guests assembled, and in the course of her remarks she presented Tarrytown, N. Y., Dec. 5.—A noted the pastor and his wife a purse containing \$80 in silver. Mrs. Reardon was also the recipient of a handsome silver serv-

The remainder of the evening was givofficer and director in various other en- en over to sociability. A number of the terprises, died at his home here after ladies served refreshments of coffee, cake

> OTHERS MAY DIE. Not Well Cooked.

Orleans, Dec. 5 .- The condition of those suffering from trichinosis, the disease that was contracted by eating bear "trust" formed in 1882 he alone remained covery. Mrs. Heath was reported as a

The newest victim of the disease, that been growing stronger the past two days. condition as she has been for the past This publicity was still further height- few days, the case having evidently made

Pennsylvania and other statesmen show meat and all of them are naturally ing that large sums of money had been watching developments closely as well as

LAY FIRE TO TRAMPS.

150 Tons of Hay. St. Johnsbury, Dec. 5-The large three-

story barn on the Tobias H. Lyster farm perusal. was burned early yesterday, together and several hogs. The loss is estimated ganized and existing under and by virtue at about \$7,000, partly covered by in- of the laws of the state of Vermont and surance. Eighty-five head of valuable with its principal office at Middlebury, cattle were taken from the barn.

leading to the theory that tramps the right to enter the city of Barre with crawled into the hay to sleep. The fire its transmission and distribution lines was discovered by one of the farm hands for the purpose of furnishing electric at 4 o'clock.

VERMONT BUSINESS TROUBLES. Swan A. Peterson, Ryegate Granite Man-

Rutland, Dec. 5.-Swan A. Peterson of Rvegate, a granite manufacturer, vesterfiled a petition in bankruptcy with His liabilities are \$4,682.23, and he has assets of \$4,335, of which \$575 is claimed exempt. There is \$3,175 in preferred claims and unsecured creditors hold bills to the amount of \$1,-113.70. The largest Vermont creditors are: E. L. Smith & Co., Barre, \$225.85;

FUNERAL OF EDWARD DOCHERTY. Was Held from His Late Home in Mont-

\$125.98.

pelier To-day. The funeral of Edward Docherty, who died at Montpelier Sunday, was held this afternoon from his late home on Foster street, Rev. William Shaw, pastor of Trinity M. E. church, officiating. The bearers were a brother, James Docherty, cousin, John Docherty, and Charles and cross such street intersections as Reagan and Jesse Kellogg, representing may be necessary to complete the above the street car employes. Interment was in Green Mount cemtery.

SKULL WAS FRACTURED.

When Struck by Emery Wheel at Fairbanks Shops.

St. Johnsbury, Dec. 5,-M. Fred Ducharge of Deputy Game Warden Parcher. bois, 27 years old, and married, was se-The case was that of shooting on Sunday riously injured at the Fairbanks shops yesterday by the bursting of an emery wheel. Pieces of the emery struck the man on the scalp and back of the head, inflicting a scalp wound and fracture, He

FARMERS CO-OPERATE.

Handle Produce.

Articles of association were filed with for the Orleans County Farmers' Co-operation Exchange, Inc., of Newport, with and for domestic purposes five cents per chase and sell grain, farm produce and

Charles H. Root of Craftsbury. To Attend International Conference,

F. S. Pease of the Vermont industrial board left Vermont last night for Wash-Borah, "to find out if we are satisfied ington, D. C., to attend the conference reason of its undertaking to supply more

WERE HONORED FIX HEARING ON POWER CO.

> City Council to Permit Expression of Views Dec. 12 on Proposed Franchise

> 50-CENT MIN 1UM FOR HOU EHOLDERS

Central P ser Corporation Must Esegin Before Saly 1, 1918

All who are interested in the franchise which the city council proposes to grant the Central Power Co., which is seeking the right to establish power lines from East Middlebury to Barre, will have an opportunity to express their views at a public hearing to be held in the council chamber at 9 o'clock on the evening of Tuesday, Dec. 12. A few final stitches at the regular council session last evening and the city fathers announced that they an instrument that is calculated to bring relief to those who complain that present power rates are well nigh prohibitive.

After so amending the draft prepared

by the city clerk and the legislative com-

mittee a week ago as to establish a 50cent minimum for meter service and to provide for a forfeiture of \$1,000 if the power service is not available before July 1, 1918, a year later than the limit fixed by the company in seeking the permit, the council called it a job and the public hearing was made possible through a motion offered by Alderman Rossi. ing with the franchise didn't begin as early as usual last night because the council lacked a majority at the outset. Since the pursuit of big game was lawfully possible in the middle days of November, Aldermen Bruce and Reynolds have vibrated most of the time between the woods and the village. It was Alderman Reynolds who, paradoxically, saved the day last night. Just as the fathers were about to disperse, the fourth ward senator appeared in a Daniel Boone disguise with a fowling piece slung over his fur-fringed mackinaw. After he had explained who he was and that the train from the Duxbury woods had just pulled into the clearing, the property committed completed the identification by removing his make-up and Alderman Reynolds was

The Proposed Franchise.

Below is printed the proposed franchise in full, and citizens who, perhaps for their own peculiar reasons, may desire to be present at the hearing next week will serve themselves by giving it a thorough

Whereas, the Central Power Corpora with 150 tons of hay, farm machinery tion of Vermont, a corporation duly orin the county of Addison, has petitione A neighbor's dog barked all night, the city council of the city of Barre for light, power and heat within the city of Barre, on the following named streets or

portions thereof, viz.: South Main street from the city limits

to Circle street Circle street. Batchelder street between Circle and Avers streets.

Boynton street.

Lower portion of West Patterson Trow avenue. Nelson street. Tremont street, Westerly end of Sheridan street,

Northerly end of Wellington street, Merchant street from Wellington to Summer street. Summer street from Merchant to Sem-Rosa Brothers, \$380; N. D. Phelps, Barre, inary street.

Seminary street from Summer street northerly to North Main street, North Main street from the northerly and of Seminary street to Packard street, Mill street.

South Main street from Hill street to Jail branch, Fairview street, Burnham street, Granite street,

Blackwell street, Smith street.

Therefore, be it resolved, That the city of Barre hereby grants unto the said Central Power Corporation of Vermont for a term of 25 years the right to enter the city of Barre and to construct and maintain conduits and erect and maintain poles and wires on, over and under the aforesaid streets, and to sell, furnish and distribute therefrom electric light,

heat and power, under the following conditions: That said Central Power Corporation company shall have its plant installed and its power in operation within the city of Barre before the first day of July, 1918, and in the event of its failing to do so it shall pay unto the city of Barre

the sum of one thousand dollars. That the price to be charged for all heat and power for manufacturing purhereafter erected and constructed by said Central Power Corporation company the Vermont secretary of state to-day within the city of Barre, shall not exceed one and seven tenths cents per kilowatt capital stock of \$5,000, divided into one kilowatt, and that the minimum charge hundred shares. The purpose is to pur- for current and meter service for domestic purposes shall not exceed the sum of fertilizer, etc. The incorporators are J. 50 cents per month, and that the service Bartlett of Orleans, C. W. Richmond to be furnished by the said Central Pow of Newport, C. M. Borland of West Glov- er Corporation of Vermont under this er, William Lawson of Coventry and right or franchise must be continuous, providential or other causes over which the aforesaid corporation has no control.

> alone excepted. And in the event of said Central Pow er Corporation of Vermont through the negligence of itself or its officers or by

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